

BONAVERO INSTITUTE OF HUMAN RIGHTS

STRATEGIC PLAN (2017 – 2020)

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I. FOUNDING VALUES AND PRINCIPLES OF THE INSTITUTE: The founding principles of the Institute are:

- * The Institute studies and supports all fundamental human rights as they have been, or should be, protected in law, for example, those rights in the UDHR.
- * The Institute acknowledges and welcomes debates about the content, foundation, and best forms of protection for human rights. It supports vigorous and diverse scholarly discussion of all these issues.
- * There are many people and organisations working in the field of human rights law both in Oxford and beyond. The Institute will seek to ensure that we work openly and collaboratively with others working in the field of human rights wherever possible.

2. FOUR STRATEGIC GOALS:

A. The Institute will seek to establish a vibrant, collegial, global forum of human rights scholars and practitioners to foster collaboration between scholars and human rights lawyers in practice, including judges. In so doing, the Institute will widen the University's engagement with society on human rights issues. The establishment of a global forum of scholars and practitioners will be achieved in part by the use of modern information and communications technology, including Facebook and Twitter.

B. The Institute will foster collaborative, rigorous, multidisciplinary and innovative world-class research on human rights issues and share the fruits of its research in a clear and accessible way with policy-makers, practitioners and the broader public.

C. The Institute will expose students at the University to current issues in human rights. It will also enhance the experience of graduate research students working in the broad field of human rights in the Faculty of Law by providing them with a collegial working space, access to Institute events and exposure to a range of opportunities that will enable graduate students to think about the application of human rights law in practice. The Institute will provide opportunities to students who wish to develop careers in human rights law. The Institute will also promote the teaching of human rights law within the Faculty of Law at the University.

D. The Institute will seek to be recognised as a host (and co-host) that organises engaging intellectual events of both global and local importance relating to human rights law, including lectures, conversations, discussions, conferences and symposia, both in Oxford and elsewhere.